

forfeiture of his bond. *Provided, however,* that the commissioners of printing may, on good cause shown by any such contractor, extend the time, not exceeding twenty days, for the execution of his contract. Time may be extended.

SEC. 5. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 1, 1866.

CHAPTER XV.

An Act to Provide for the Purchase of Paper for [the] Public Printing. March 1, 1866.

- SECTION 1.** Prescribes at what time it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to ascertain the quantity and kind of paper for public printing for one year.
2. Whenever amount and kind of paper ascertained, Secretary of State to give thirty days' notice in four papers in State for sealed proposals to supply such paper.
 3. Proposals to contain samples of various kinds of paper, with price appended. Proposals to be opened in public by Secretary of State, at a specified time. Contract to be let to lowest bidder or bidders. Contractors to furnish bonds.
 4. Bonds to be filed in office of Secretary of State. Penalty for failure to comply with conditions. How recovered.
 5. Provides for payment of contractor.
 6. How Secretary of State shall purchase paper, and when act to take effect.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That annually hereafter, on or before the first Monday in August, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to ascertain and fix the amount and kinds of all paper necessary for the printing of both branches of the Legislature, and the offices of Governor, Secretary, Auditor and State Treasurer, and all other public printing, for the period of one year. Duty of Secretary of State.

Secretary to advertise for contracts.

SEC. 2. That whenever the amount and kinds of paper shall be ascertained and fixed as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to give at least thirty days' notice in four newspapers printed in and of general circulation in this State, one of which shall be published in the city of St. Paul, setting forth that sealed proposals will be received at the office of the Secretary of State until the first Monday of September following, for furnishing such paper.

Proposals to contain samples.

SEC. 3. That said proposals shall contain samples of the various kinds of paper to be furnished, and the price of each kind, which proposals shall, on said first Monday of September, be opened in public by said Secretary of State, and the contracts be by him awarded to the lowest bidder, or bidders, and to secure the faithful performance of said contract so made for paper, the said Secretary of State shall take from the contractor, or contractors, a bond payable to the State of Minnesota, with good and sufficient surety, to be approved by the said Secretary of State, in the penal sum of not less than double the amount to be paid such contractor or contractors, by virtue of such contract.

Contractors to give bonds.

Bonds to be filed in office of Secretary of State.

SEC. 4. That such bond shall be filed and retained in the office of Secretary of State, and for any failure to comply with any of the conditions therein contained, may be prosecuted in the name of the State, in any court of competent jurisdiction, and the amount of damages when collected shall be paid into the State Treasury, and every person or persons, to whom contracts shall have been awarded, and who shall neglect or refuse to enter into the bonds required by this act, shall forfeit and pay for any such neglect or refusal any sum not less than fifty, nor more than five hundred dollars, to be recovered in the name and for the use of the State.

Secretary of State to furnish account to State Auditor.

SEC. 5. The Secretary of State shall certify to the State Auditor from time to time the amount due to such contractor for paper then furnished under such contract, who shall issue his warrant upon the State Treasury for the amount so certified, to be paid out of moneys appropriated for that purpose. *Provided*, that said Auditor shall not give his warrant for an amount to exceed seventy-five per cent. on the amount cer-

tified until said contract be fully completed and fulfilled.

SEC. 6. The Secretary of State shall purchase, at private sale, all such paper necessary for the use of the State up to the time provided in this act for the letting of said contract for furnishing paper to be paid for out of the State Treasury, and this law shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Secretary of State to furnish paper.

Approved March 1, 1866.

CHAPTER XVI.

An Act providing for the Printing and Binding of the General Statutes of Minnesota.

March 1, 1866.

- SECTION 1. Authorizes Secretary of State, State Treasurer and State Auditor to dispose of copyright.
2. Notice to be published in newspapers for three weeks for sealed proposals for printing and binding.
 3. Designates the quality of type to be used.
 4. Commissioners to publicly open all bids. Contract to be awarded to lowest bidder. Penalty for non-fulfilment of contract. Fixes price per copy.
 5. Officers to purchase a certain number of copies.
 6. County Commissioners to furnish certain officers with copies, to be delivered to their successors in office.
 7. Contractors to furnish copies to Commissioners at same price as to State.
 8. Contractors to furnish individuals with copies at rates not exceeding maximum rates.
 9. Provides when contractors shall have work done.
 10. Further regulating the price charged to individuals after a certain time.
 11. Forfeiture of copy right under certain contingency.
 12. When act to take effect.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

SECTION 1. That the Secretary of State, State Treasurer, and State Auditor, are hereby authorized

State authorities may sell copy-right,